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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The Czar and his cabinet decided finally last night to refuse universal suffrage to the people of Russia; the government believes it has the upper-hand of the revolutionaries, although the situation in the provinces is bad; the insurgents have two im[illegible] cities besieged—Yesterday in N[illegible] the Odell candidate for presid[illegible] Republican organization was by the Higgins man; Governo[illegible]gins is satisfied the Anti-Odell sp[illegible]er of the Assembly will be chosen—B. J. Gibbons, a former Methodist preacher, committed suicide in Norfolk yesterday after leaving a note saying he had two wives and loved them both——At Ukiah, Cal., yesterday a crazy man killed the sheriff, shot at the judge and other people——The consolidation of the subway, elevated and surface traction lines on Manhattan Island is reported——On a Southern Railway train yesterday near Mt. Carmell, Ill., two prisoners shot and killed their guard and one of the prisoners was killed and the other mortally wounded by passengers——Secretary Hester, of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, reports the supply of cotton to date to be 7,095,915 bales against 9,704,163 for the same period last year——Charles E. Ehler who tried to commit suicide in Bakersfield, Cal., yesterday, told the police that he could save the life of Caleb Powers, now under sentence of death for the assassination of Gov. Gobel, of Kentucky, as he knew who committed the deed—William J. Bryan arrived in Manila yesterday——New York markets: Money on call strong at 6 to 16 per cent., closing bid 6, offered at 8; spot cotton quiet at 12.10; flour dull but barely steady; wheat easy, No. 2 red, 91 elevator; corn easy, No. 2 old, 58 elevator; oats steady, mixed, 37 to 37 1-2; turpentine quiet at 66 1-2 to 67; rosin steady, strained common to god, 3.50 to 3.60.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture
Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 22, 1905.

Meterological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., Friday, Dec. 22th.

Temperature at 8 A. M., 48 degrees, 8 P. M., 55 degrees; Maximum, 69 degrees; Minimum, 48 degres; mean, 58 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 4.56.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., Thursday, 9 feet and rising.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina: Cloudy Saturday with rain in the interior. Sunday fair, colder; fresh southwest shifting to northwest winds.

RIVER WARNING.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 22, 3 P. M.—Cape Fear river will probably reach dangerous stage Saturday or Sunday.

A. H. THIESSEN.

PORT ALMANAC—Dec. 23.

Sun Rises .....7:08 A. M.
Sun Sets .....4:50 P. M.
Day's Length .....9 hrs. 43 min.
High Water at Southport..5:40 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington.8:10 P. M.

A girl has every reason to believe that when a young man won't go when it is late he is gone.

"What kindles the fires of love?" asks a writer. Plenty of bank bills kindles a good deal of it.

By the way, will somebody please explain Senator Dolliver's explanation of what his railroad rate regulation bill will accomplish.

The Greensboro Weekly Tar Heel says it "wears no collar." It doesn't seem to keep its shirt on either when it goes after Tom Rollins and Marion Butler.

It is said that Mrs. Hettie Green, the multi-millionairess, possesses $3,000,000 worth of diamonds. It is not stated, however, whether she is willing to take anybody into the co-partnership.

If the Philippines are a part of the United States, the Republican tariff measure which is to be put through Congress doesn't show it. The archipelago is still largely treated as foreign parts.

Probably those two Carolina Republican factions find it about as hard as Mr. Whitney, of Boston, to find out what President Roosevelt meant in what he said to them when they called on him in Washington.

"Why should States be in debt?" inquires a writer. Because the people who administer the State's affairs spend more than the State has income to pay. Same way with many individuals.

According to Governor Hoch, Kansas loses $22,000,000 every year because the Standard Oil Company fixes the price of oil. Our loss is more than that because we didn't have the money to buy Alaska from Russia when President Grant made the trade for Uncle Sam.

LOCAL DOTS.

—St. Paul's Episcopal Sunday School will have its Christmas tree Sunday evening at 6 P. M.

—"Nothing Doing" was writ large and bold on the police court blotter yesterday. There were no cases for trial at the noon sitting of the municipal court.

—Cotton receipts the past week were 9,813 bales against 5,147 during the corresponding period last season. Since Sept. 1st, 257,169 bales against 262,458 up to the same date last year.

—Isham Mack, colored, charged with stealing a purse, containing $3.75 in [illegible]om "Sis" Baldwin, was bound [illegible]r Court by Justice Furlong yes[illegible]ad in default of $50 bond, went [illegible]ail.

—Rev. Fred. D. Hale, D. D., will be the speaker at the men's meeting at the Boys' Brigade armory to-morrow afternoon. The Acme Male Quartette and Mrs. Fairchild will contribute to the musical numbers.

—Two licenses to wed were issued yesterday. One was to Henry D. King and Miss Julia Casey, both of Delgado, and the other to R. C. Murray, of Wilmington, and Miss Laura V. Kelley, of Pender county.

—All naval stores receipts the past week showed a gain over same week last season, except rosin in which there was a slight falling off. The receipts for the crop year to date are well ahead of those during a corresponding period last season.

—The skating rink at the Boys' Brigade armory will be open from 3:30 to 6 o'clock in the evenings and from 8 to 10:30 at night on Christmas Day. The afternoon period will be for the boys and the evening for the older folks. No boy under 16 years of age will be admitted.

—The running race on the Old Fair Grounds track yesterday afternoon was won by Mr. Ed. Boushee's animal, who came in under the wire nearly a hundred yards ahead of the horse owned by Mr. Moses Bear. The heat was one mile. The race was witnessed by a large number of spectators.

—In all seriousness masqueraders during the Christmas holidays should beware of their pranks about the county jail. Masquerading, is of course, "all the go" during the Yuletide period but just now is not an opportune time for faces concealed by masks to be in evidence about a place of safe-keeping.

—Red Springs Citizen: "Messrs. John F. McNair, William Jones and W. T. Bryan were in Red Springs Tuesday looking to their interests in the establishment of a general mercantile business at the beginning of the new year. The style of the firm is the Red Springs Trading Company, incorporated."

—A runaway team belonging to Orrell & Alexander dashed around the gas works at Front and Surry streets last night, leaving a cushion of the buggy in the vicinity, and then ran back up Castle to Third and to the stables without damage to the vehicle. The frightened animal started from Ninth and Castle streets.

—Jackson Harrison, colored, charged in three cases with assault and battery with a deadly weapon upon his wife, Delia Harrison, Henrietta McKnight and Allie McKnight, residents in the vicinity of Fourth and Church streets, was bound to Superior Court by Justice Furlong yesterday and in default of an aggregate bond of $100 went to jail.

THEIR SILVER WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hanson Recipients of Many Congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hanson last evening at their hospitable home, No. 418 South Front street, most auspiciously celebrated their Silver Wedding or the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. The handsome residence was attractively decorated with Southern smilax, palms, ferns and cut flowers and was thronged with the very many friends and acquaintances of the host and hostess, who called to extend their congratulations and to assure Mr. and Mrs. Hanson of their high personal regard. Silver wedding bells, suspended from the ceiling, entered charmingly into the general scheme of decoration and the affair was pronounced by all as the prettiest of its character seen in Wilmington in a dozen years.

According to the custom of those of the Lutheran faith, a pretty feature of the reception was the reading of the marriage service again and the responses of the "bride and groom," just as the service occurred a quarter of a century ago.

A large number of very handsome and costly presents in silver attested the high esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Hanson are held in Wilmington. An elaborate supper was served during the evening at which Mr. Hanson proved himself a most genial host and Mrs. Hanson a most gracious hostess.

Lieut. Anderson Here.

Lieutenant Commander Edwin A. Anderson, United States Navy, accompanied by his wife and son, arrived yesterday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with his sister, Mrs. M. Y. McKoy. Lieutenant Anderson is navigating officer of the U. S. S. Pennsylvania, now lying in Hampton Roads. Lieutenant Anderson will remain in the city until the 31st, when he will rejoin the ship for a Southern cruise. The hosts of friends of Lieutenant Anderson are delighted to welcome him and hope that his visit may be pleasant.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Star—Business Locals.
Mercer & Evans Co.—Footwear.
Only Restaurant—Rooms and Board.
Academy of Music—Murray Comedy Co.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

The Oasis—Oranges, &c.
The Oasis—Hot Chocolate.

The Polvgt Co. give trading stamps. Select your presents there to-day. **

"CAROLINA DAY"

Appropriate Exercises in Public and Private Schools Closing for the Holidays

ADDRESS BY COL. WADDELL

Talked to High School Students of Cape Fear History—Real Santa Claus and Many Presents at Miss Alderman's.

"North Carolina Day" was most appropriately observed yesterday and last night by the public schools of New Hanover, both in the city and in the country. The day marked the close of the first half of the school year and was an occasion of double interest for the children who joined so heartily in the exercises. In the city schools, notably the Hemenway, Union and High schools the observance was during the morning hours and immediately after the exercises, the pupils were dismissed with a kindly holiday greeting from teachers and principals.

At the High School the exercises were of an informal nature, the feature of the observance having been a most interesting and instructive address touching Cape Fear history by Hon. A. M. Waddell, Mayor of the City. Col. Waddell was presented to the student body by Mr. J. G. deRoulhac Hamilton, principal of the school. The distinguished speaker held the close attention of his hearers for nearly half an hour in a most comprehensive review of the Revolution, the Civil War and the period of reconstruction. Upon the conclusion of the address the students joined in patriotic songs and music and took their departure for the joyous Yuletide with a happy interchange of greetings and expressions of good wishes.

Exercises at Hemenway.

At the Hemenway school the observance was largely by grades, each room having special features for the children. Formal programmes were rendered by the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth Grades. The exercises were as follows:

Fourth Grade—Miss Yates—Geography of North Carolina, by the class; Reading, The Lost Colony; and Compositions on Virginia Dare, by the class.

Fifth Grade—Miss Duffy—Recitation, The Highlanders' Farewell, Eloise Cheek; Composition, Battle of Moore's Creek, Burton Myers; Recitation, Last Charge at Appomatox, Isaac Goldberg; and Reading, Flora McDonald, Kate Lee Merriman.

Sixth Grade—Miss King's Class—"Why We Observe Carolina Day," Lassie Wilson; "The Country of the Highlands," Isaac Grainger; "The Superstitions of the Highlanders," Leighton Boone; "The Highlander's Farewell," Carrie McKaughan; "The Highlanders in Their New Home," Ruth Murrell; Reading, "Flora McDonald," Marie Grainger; "Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge," Annie Boykin; Recitation, "Last Charge at Appomatox," Jack Shannon; Recitation, "Carolina," Augusta Boykin.

Sixth Grade—Miss Wood's Class—Recitation, "Settlements on the Cape Fear," Maggie Thompson; Recitation, "The Tuscarora War," Caroline Holmes; Recitation, "Queen Anne's Revenge," Isabel Gaylor; Recitation, "Mater Mea Carolina," by the class; "Gabriel Johnston's Adminstration," Celeste McEachern; "Nathan Rowan in the Old French War," Sallie Wright "The Noble Four Hundred." Leon Silverman; "Hugh Waddell's Expedition," May Carmichael; "The Story of Flora McDonald," Emma Woodward; "The Tardy Governor," Frankie Beery; "Governors Pollock and Eden," Annie Futch; "The Lost Colony," Louis Stein; and "The Rhyme of the Gocernors," Jewel Cox.

Eighth Grade, Misses Wiggins and Archer—"The Highlanders in North Carolina," Frances Shannon; "The Fiery Cross," selection from "Lady of the Lake," Bessie Piner; The Highlanders Farewell," Edwin Riley, "Story of Flora McDonald," Annie Banks; "Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge," Stone Pulliam; and "LaFayette's Visit to Fayetteville," Minnie Davis.

At the Union School.

The exercises at Union School were brief but very appropriate and pleasing to the children. More than 800 pupils gathered in the large assembly room and joined heartily in the spirit of the hour. The programme of exercises was as follows:

Song, "The Old North State; "Reading, "Flora MacDonald;" Song, "No Kriss—No Christmas;" Reading, "The Battle of Moore's Creek;" Song, "Merry, Merry Christmas;" Reading, "LaFayette's Visit to Fayetteville;" Recitation, "Just Before Christmas;" March, by twenty-four girls; Recitation, "Four Stockings;" Recitation, "Why Do Bells at Christmas Ring;" Song, "Ho! for Carolina;" Song, "America."

The Christmas Vacation.

The pupils of all the public schools will enjoy a respite from books and study until Tuesday, January 2nd. The same will be true of quite all of the public schools in the country and nearly all the private schools which also had appropriate exercises yesterday.

Miss Alderman's Select School.

Miss Alderman's Select School closed for the holidays with most interesting exercises yesterday morning. The programme included a Christmas tree and a real Santa Claus so cleverly impersonated, by Capt. W. P. Monroe as to give the little folks infinite pleasure. Presents for all were distributed from a pretty tree. The exercises by the children consisted of a song, "Merry Christmas," by the school; opening address, Master Le-Roy Polvogt; recitatjon, "December," Bessie Toon; recitation, "Xmas Day," Lucile McKracken; a song, Gladys Polvogt, Alma Benton and Louise Giesche[illegible]; recitation, "Christmas Eve is Coming," Hazel Banck; recitation, "A New Santa Claus," Carobell Blair; recitation, "Just What I Wanted," Katie Davis; a song by the school; recitation, "Xmas Eve," Richard Warren; "Letter to Santa Claus," Alice Walker; closing song, "Jack Frost." One of the prettiest features was the presentation in behalf of the school to Miss Alderman and Miss Hankins two very handsome presents, the address being by Miss Irene Frederick. The exercises were very creditable indeed and closed one of the most successful half-terms in the history of the school.

TRAGIC DEATH ON STEAMER

James Dickert, German Steward, Dead Aboard Cotton Ship Lying at Champion Compress.

Either with suicidal intent or by mistake, James Dickert, about 40 years of age, steward on the big British tramp steamer Riberia, took an overdose of laudanum early last night from which his death resulted an hour or so later aboard the ship. The steamer late yesterday afternoon completed discharging cargo of fertilizer constituents at one of the factories up the river and she had just been docked at the Champion Compress about 8:30 o'clock last night to receive cargo of cotton when a member of the crew found the steward unconscious in his bunk. No time was lost in reporting the matter to Capt. Hurford, master of the ship, and Dr. C. T. Harper, the port physician, and Dr. E. J. Wood were immediately summoned. When they arrived aboard the ship, however, about 9 o'clock, the man had so absorbed the poison in his system that he died within a very short time.

There is no suspicion of foul play in connection with the case, but the requirements of the British government are so stringent regarding its maritime interests that an autopsy and an inquest by the coroner may be ordered by the British Vice Consul to whom the matter was immediately reported upon the death. Dickert is a German and the present was his first voyage on the ship. Capt. Hurford knows very little of his family connections, but is under the impression the man has a wife. Capt. Hurford said the steward was a man of jovial disposition and there had been nothing in his manner to indicate that he contemplated suicide. The Captain is of the opinion that an overdose of the drug was taken by mistake and has no patience with the suicide theory. However, a more complete investigation will probably bring out all the facts.

The body of the dead steward remained aboard the ship last night, but will probably be removed to an undertaker's establishment and prepared for burial this morning.

A bottle of laudanum with a part of the contents gone was found in the bunk with the unconscious man when the member of the crew who made the discovery reached the steward.

NEGRO'S WOUNDS FATAL.

Luke Moses, Accidentally Shot, Died Last Night at Hospital.

Luke Moses, colored, 28 years old, who was accidentally shot at the railroad crossing near the Portner Brewing Company's plant Tuesday night between 8 and 9 o'clock, died last night about 11 o'clock at the hospital to which he was taken shortly after the accident. Moses was standing on or near the railroad yards and a negro fireman on an engine was handling a shot gun which was accidentally discharged, the load tearing the muscles of Moses' arm fearfully. The limb was shattered, became gangrenous and caused the negro's early death in spite of all that could be done for him. Moses lived at 806 MacRae street. The coroner was notified of the death by Dr. Akerman last night and, upon investigation of the circumstances of the affair to-day, will determine whether or not an inquest is necessary.

Bladen Street's New Pastor.

Rev. A. J. Parker, the new pastor of Bladen Street M. E. church, arrived yesterday evening at 6 o'clock from his former station at Manteo, N. C., and will take up his pastoral duties at once preaching to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 7:30 o'clock in the evening. Rev. Mr. Parker's family will join him about the first of the New Year and occupy the parsonage at No. 815 North Fifth street. For the present Mr. Parker is the guest of Mr. B. C. Moore, 715 North Fourth street. The new pastor of Bladen street church comes very highly recommended as a man of superior intellect, pulpit eloquence and engaging manners. Wilmington welcomes him and his family into the community and hopes that their stay in the city will be pleasant. The arrangement for a separate pastor for Market Street M. E. church is now under advisement by the Conference authorities.

In Pretty Holiday Attire.

The store of the Mercer & Evans Company, on Princess street, is in holiday attire on account of the Christmas season. The interior of the store has recently been remodelled and repainted, linoleum placed on the floor and now it has all been dressed up for the Yuletide in red and green, Christmas bells being suspended from the ceiling, caught up here and there with colors. A most attractive display of the fine shoes carried in the store is made in the show window, the creation being a neat compliment to the skill of Mr. T. J. Capel as a decorative artist.

"Booze" For Fayetteville.

Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer says: "The amount of whiskey that is now arriving in this city, on every train, is a caution. Day before yesterday it took almost an hour to unload a solid car of the stuff. Fifteen hundred gallons were distributed in this territory, one thousand gallons remaining in Fayetteville."

The only drygoods firm giving trading stamps is the Polvogt Co. Trade there to-day. **

NOW FOR CHRISTMAS

Yuletide Frolics and Frivolities Have Now Sidetracked All Else in Wilmington

THRONGS OF SHOPPERS OUT

Biggest Day of Yuletide Period Begins This Morning—Extra Precautions by the Police—Football at Hilton Monday Afternoon.

The climax of the Christmas rush and jollity along all lines and in all quarters will be reached this afternoon. It will not be Christmas in fact, but it will be virtually so, a Sunday intervening before the holiday proper, and, Wilmington, according to its time-honored custom, will celebrate the eve of the great day in glorious American fashion. While the weather man does not hold out the brightest prospects, there is no reason to believe the elements will be especially untoward and great crowds will throng down-town streets, especially in the retail district. Yesterday the sidewalks and stores were lined with humanity or every description and many avlied themselves of the extraordinarily fine weather to avoid the crush of the "day before." Merchants and their employes say it was one of the busiest days of their experience, but they frankly confess that even a more immense throng is expected today.

The Christmas-tide always brings its troubles for the police, though it is remarkable that so far the crowds have been unusually quiet and very few arrests have been made. However, the Department is fully alive to the requirements of the occasion and Chief Williams will this afternoon put on half a dozen or more special officers to patrol the sections of the city likely to be most congested. The special officers will go on about 1 or 2 o'clock this afternoon and be relieved at 1 or 2 o'clock in the morning. These "specials" will be instructed to especially look out for petty robberies, purse snatching and the like and violations of the fireworks ordinance. The law forbids the explosion of fireworks until to-morrow, the 24th, but the law probably does not take into account that Christmas eve comes some time on Sunday, and for that reason the city authorities have construed the law to be elastic enough to permit the use of fireworks to-day under the restrictions imposed for the 24th, which are that under no circumstances must explosives be used west of Front street and that the firing of canton crackers of more than two inches in length will not be tolerated in any part of the city. It is also the purposed of the police authorities to allow no explosion of fireworks on Sunday.

Not a few of the larger retail establishments have acted upn the truth of the old adage that "a stitch in time saves nine" and for the protection of their stocks and their customers have had detailed to their stores, the expense being borne by themselves, an extra policeman who remains in the establishment all the time. In the instance of Kress & Company, in the Masonic Temple building, two officers have been secured—Policeman A. D. Smith and Special Officer D. W. Walker. They were on duty all day yesterday and will be on hand again today and to-night.

But a resume of the Christmas preparations and frivolities might go on indefinitely. The eve of the day is here and a most prosperous people are already beginning to enjoy the delights of a prosperous Christmas.

Football Game.

One of the Christmas attractions will be a football game at Hilton Park Between strong teams representing the Y. M. C. A. and the Atlantic Coast Line. Both teams have been in hard training and are in prime condition for the sport. The line up wil be as follows: Y. M. C. A.—A Bluethenthal, centre; Fred Poisson, quarter back; B. Newkirk, left guard; A. Rhodes, right guard; Sam Royall, left tackle; Kendall, right tackle; Hall, left end; Louis Orrell, right end; R. P. Houston, full back; R. Schulken, right half back; Ben Houston, left half back. A. C. L.—D. Seifert, centre; L. King, quarter back; Frank Williams, left guard; Frank Brittain, right guard; Milton Gore, left tackle; Croswell, right tackle; W. Gore, left end; LeGrand, right end; C. Hall, full back; L. Poisson, right half back; McDonald, left half back.

Dr. Strange to Speak.

As previously announced the Rt. Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., will be the speaker at the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow afternoon. The musical programme will consist of hymns by all present, a vocal duet by Mrs. F. A. Muse and Mr. Dushan and special selections by the Mozart Brass Quartette. All the men in the city are especially invited. The boys will have their meeting in the morning at 10 o'clock when Mr. K. W. Price will be the speaker. Mr. Price is a very pleasing speaker to boys and he should be heard by a large number.

Remains Taken to Lumberton.

Mr. William D. Rodgers, a highly esteemed resident of Lumberton, N. C., passed away at the home of his brother-in-law, Mr. N. T. Pittman, No. 210 North Ninth street, at 10:45 o'clock Thursday night. Mr. Rodgers was 42 years of age and had lived here only a few months. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Sallie Birthright, of Lumberton, and a number of other relatives. The remains were taken yesterday afternoon to Lumberton for interment.

Stolen from piazza of residence, No. 111 South Fifth street, Tuesday evening a package of dry goods. A reward will be paid for its recovery and an additional reward for evidence to convict the thief. *

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. C. N. Bliss, of Pinehurst, N. C., is at The Orton.

—R. F. DeVane, of Red Springs, is a guest at The Orton.

—Mr. J. K. Ormsby, of Rocky Point, was here yesterday.

—Mr. T. N. McDiarmid, of Lumberton, was among last night's arrivals.

—Mr. B. B. Anderson, of Fair Bluff, N. C., was among last night's arrivals.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Post, of Baltimore, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Post.

—Mr. C. N. Wire, of Philadelphia, and H. H. Daughtery, of New York, are at The Orton.

—Mr. G. M. Garrison and wife, of Jacksonville, N. C., were guests at The Orton yesterday.

—Midshipman Louis P. Davis, of the U. S. S. Kearsarge, is at home to spend the holidays.

—Mrs. F. Fosgate left last evening for Washington, D. C., where she will spend the holidays.

—Mr. W. P. Boger has gone to his old home at Morganton, N. C., to spend the holidays.

—Donald McRackan, Esq., of Whiteville, and Jno. M. Council, of Wananish, are guests at The Orton.

—Messrs. Herbert and Emple Latimer, of London, Eng., are guests of their uncle, Mr. William Latimer.

—Miss Lucy McIntosh is at home from the Presbyterian College at Charlotte to spend the holidays.

—Misses Sue Boon and Bessie LeGwin have returned from the State Normal at Greensboro to spend the holidays.

—Miss Sallie Oldham and Miss Beatty, returned from the Baptist Female University yesterday to spend the holidays.

—Misses Denie and Josie Alexander, students of the Presbyterian College, at Red Springs, arrived last evening for the holidays.

—Miss Ruth Clise, of Seattle, Wash., is the guest for the holidays of Miss Julia Worth, who returned from school yesterday morning.

—Cadet Sergeant Will W. Miller, of the Catawba Military Academy at Rock Hill, S. C., arrived yesterday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will L. Miller.

—Mr. John DeWitt Schonwald is at home from the University for the holidays. Mr. Schonwald is the son of Dr. Schonwald, and is a student in the medical department of the University.

BACK PAY FOR MILITIA.

Attorneys in Raleigh Investigating—Insurance License Cancelled.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 22.—Attorneys W. M. Hendren, of Winston-Salem, and Benjamin Carter, of Washington, D. C., are here as counsel for the State in a proceeding against the United States Government to secure for North Carolina troops who enlisted for the Spanish-American war a balance of pay that is claimed by the State to be due these troops, it being principally the per diem, etc., that accrued between the time of enlistment of the State guard and their being mustered in service. The attorneys' mission here at this time is to examine the records in the Adjutant General's office. The amount involved is claimed to have arisen under certain acts of Congress.

Insurance Commissioner Young today cancelled the State license of the Brotherhood Accident Insurance Company, of Boston, because the concern refused to keep on deposit in this State an amount of money equal to the amount of one assessment in compliance with the State regulations.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Transfers which Appear From Deeds Filed For Record Yesterday.

From deeds filed for record yesterday the following real estate transfers appear:

Daniel O'Connor and wife to Chas. E. Walker, Wm. H. Moore and others, trustees of the Holy Temple, for $200, property on south side of Miller, 132 feet west of Wood streets, 33x132 feet in size.

S. Sternberger and wife and J. Sternberger and wife to A. M. Prince, of Holly Ridge, for $10 and other valuable considerations, property on west side of Elenventh, 132 feet north of Queen street, 33x165 feet in size.

Thos. H. Wright to the wardens and vestry of Saint James' parish, for $10 and other considerations, property on west side of Sixth, 99 feet north of Queen street, 33x126 feet in size.

J. W. Mintz and wife to W. A. McQuillan, for $200, tract of land containing 164 acres in Federal Point township, adjoining land of W. J. Herring and others.

Y. M. C. A. Skating Rink.

Carpenters are busy night and day putting in the new skating rink at the Y. M. C. A., which it is hoped to have completed by next Tuesday. The use of the rink will be confined exclusively to members of the Association, their lady friends and members of the Ladies' Auxiliary. A skating club for which the membership fee is $5 has been formed, entitling the member to the free use of the floor for himself and lady friend the entire season or an Association member may pay ten cents for admission or 25 cents where skates are furnished. The schedule of skating will be Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 to 10:30 and Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 3 to 5 in the afternoon and 6 to 8 in the evening. Members of the club have the right to skate at any of these times.

Mr. Pembroke Jones Arrives.

Mr. Pembroke Jones arrived yesterday to spend the Yuletide at his handsome country estate "Airlie-on-the Sound." Mrs. Jones and daughter on their way from the North stopped in Fayetteville to visit Mrs. Jones' parents, Col. and Mrs. Wharton J. Green, but they will arrive to join Mr. Jones, coming via Wilson this morning.

Merry Christmas

AS CHRISTMAS IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER, WE EXTEND TO OUR ARMY OF FRIENDS AND PATRONS A CHRISTMAS GREETING.
JOYOUS TIME—SEASON OF GOOD CHEER. LET EVERY HEART BE MERRY. PERCHANCE YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A SUITABLE GIFT FOR A MAN OR A BOY. IF SO, WE ASK THAT YOU COME HERE.
WE'VE THE THINGS A MAN WANTS, WEARS AND WILL APPRECIATE — EXCELLENT CLOTHING AND THE CHOICEST HABERDASHERY.

May We Suggest?

An Overcoat, Rain Coat, Suit or House Coat, Choice Neckwear, Shirts, Night Robes, Underwear, or Gloves, a Hat, Cap, Muffler, Umbrella, pair of Suspenders, or any of the many other articles we have for a man's wardrobe.
You'll find everything fair and reasonably priced.
We'll put aside anything you select—keep perfectly "mum" and will be pleased to make any exchange you desire after Christmas. Come to a man's store for a Man's Christmas.

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and kindred articles such as Fleece Slipper Soles, Bed room Felts, Arctic Socks, Leggins for Ladies and Children, Hosiery, etc., as well as to our well selected and up-to-date stock of
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WILMINGTON, N. C.

Saturday Morning, Dec. 23.

FIFTEEN CENTS COTTON.

The Raleigh Times commenting upon an editorial in the Honston, Texas, Post says:

"The Houston Post, in a timely and thoughtful article, agrees with President Harvie Jordan when he says that the cotton acreage for 1906 should be restricted to the acreage of 1905, which is 27,000,000 acres. That much acreage, says The Post, under proper cultivation ought to produce a larger crop than that of the current year. It takes the broad and liberal ground, however, that 10-cent cotton, on a bale to the acre basis, means more to the South than 15-cent cotton, which requires five acres to produce one bale. That view is most eminently correct, and artificial methods to keep the price in its teens is not going to help this section.

"'But any permanent plan,' says The Post, 'of limiting production so as to secure anything like a uniform price of 15 cents a pound is likely to prove disastrous to the general prosperity of the South. It is as undesirable from the point of view of the public welfare to have prices abnormally high as it is to have them abnormally low. With the price too high the demand will naturally diminish, and this in turn will eventually reduce even the price of a limited supply.'

"'Ten cents a pound for the South's product does not mean starvation. It means prosperity and plenty of it for the farmers, the mills and the millions who buy cloth. The farmers have done so well this season that they should endeavor to profit by the example in the future, but there is no good sense in forming a combination which is calculated to bring distress upon others, even if it should happen to make one class of people enormously rich.''

The real aim of the cotton growers in curtailing production is not so much to get 15 cents a pound for cotton as it is to prevent themselves from being bankrupted by overproduction. However, we have remarked before that if cotton growers in this part of the country got 15 cents for every pound of cotton they raise they could not be frenzied financiers. Planters in Texas can make more off one acre of land at 10 cents a pound than planters in the Carolinas and Georgia at 15 cents per pound. Cotton ought to be 15 cents a pound or in the neighborhood of it if we want to see our lands increase in value and prices for labor go high enough to encourage good labor instead of pauper labor to come to the South. For one we want to see labor in the South lifted up and general values increased, and when it comes to the price of cotton we haven't got a word to say against High Price Shaw.

The aim of the South is to give the world every bale of cotton it needs but not to produce more than it needs, at the expense of Southern producers and labor. As a general proposition, cotton growing in the South for years has both impoverished the lands and the farmers.

UNCLE JOE UNDER FIRE.

Uncle Joe Cannon, Speaker of the House of Representatives has been considered as much of a joke but some of the Republicans are taking him seriously. The Speaker is too autocratic to suit them. A Washington dispatch says some Senators who stand close to the Administration are showing a good deal of wrath at one or two events that have lately occurred in the House of Representatives, and are inclined to visit their anger upon Speaker Cannon whom they regard as largely responsible for the conditions they complain of. They intimate that notice will be served upon Mr. Cannon that his control of the House is altogether too autocratic and that he will have to deal more gently with bills and individuals opposed to his wishes unless he is ready to see action taken which will be in the nature of a very sharp rebuke to him and will curtail the importance of the position he now occupies.

The specific thing, it now develops, which has led to irritation in Administration circles, is Mr. Cannon's action in so making up the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries as apparently to provide for an unfavorable report on the Subsidy bill when that measure reaches the committee. The other situation which is causing annoyance concerns the Payne bill for the reduction of the Philippine tariff. The fact that beet sugar men have been allowed to unite in opposition to the measure and to form what seems like an efficient organization against the bill is causing considerable alarm. The Administration was not pleased in the first place, with the amendment for free admission of American goods entering the Philippines which party managers suffered to be incorporated into the measure. After this had been eliminated the development of the beet sugar plans furnished an additional cause of irritation.

The Magazines.

McClure's Magazine for January is out and that is welcome news for the hosts of readers of that popular and excellent publication. It is a surpassingly entertaining number and the illustrations are an exceedingly interesting feature. As usual the table of contents is especially valuable, including an article on "Roosevelt, An Outdoor Man," accompanied by an excellent portrait; "Carl Schurz's Memoirs,' "Armour and His Monopoly;" and "Arizona Nights," a story which is begun in the number. The subscription price of McClure's is $1.00 per annum; 10 cents per copy. Address, S. S. McClure Company, Fourth Ave. and Twenty-Third street, New York.

That delightful magazine, The Cosmopolitan, is on our table. It is the New Year number and it is a bright and intensely enjoyable issue. It presents a rare table of contents and the illustrations are not only of a high order but are of great practical value. There are numerous articles, but one on the uses and wonders of electricity is a topic of more than usual interest. The Cosmopolitan is sent for $1.00 a year, or 10 cents per copy. Address Cosmopolitan Magazine, 1789 Broadway, New York.

CURRENT COMMENT

—Mrs. Knicker—"Then you enjoyed being seasick on the yacht?" Mrs. Bocker—"Yes; I knew I wouldn't care if the cook left."—Harper's Bazar.

—"It seems strange," said Deacon Mayberry, as he counted the money after church, "that a large congregation can be so small.—Philadelphia Telegram.

—Mama, did you ever flirt when you were a girl?" "Yes, my dear, I did once." "And were you punished for it?" "It led to my marriage with your father."—Translated from Tales from "Le Rire."

—Howell—Who was the fellow who went around with a lantern looking for an honest man?" Powell—I don't know, but if he were to try it to-day somebody would steal the lantern.—Woman's Home Companion for January.

—"Here!" shouted the depot official, what do you mean by throwing those trunks around like that?" The baggageman gazed in astonishment, and several travelers pinched themselves to make sure that 't was real. Then the official spoke again to the baggageman. "Don't you see you are making big dents in this concrete platform?"—Smart Set.

TWINKLINGS.

—The amount of a man's spare change usually depends upon how he employs his spare hours.—Baltimore Herald.

—Banker Walsh, of Chicago, lost everything, it is explained, by trying to buck the Standard Oil Trust. He might have done like Marion Butler who became a part of it.—Raleigh Times.

—A Boston man has asked the courts to restrain his wife from calling him up over the telephone at his office. What his programme is that he objects to having his wife keep tab on him is not announced.—Washington Post.

—Col. Fred. Old sends his papers an interesting batch of news about the capture of moonshiners. It seems impossible for the law against moonshining to prohibit the crime, and yet surely the law ought not to be repealed. No law prohibits perfectly.—Greensboro Telegram.

A lady clergyman tells us that in 25 years women have increased in stature 2½ inches and men have decreased in the same degree. If the sexes are thus getting apart five inches in 25 years, it is not difficult to calculate how long it will be before man will be utilized by woman merely as a lapdog or as a bangle for her bracelet.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—All the same, Messrs. Judson and Harmon, good lawyers retained to assist the government in the prosecution of the rebate-givers, held that there was solid legal ground on which to proceed against Mr. Paul Morton, then Secretary of the Navy, now President of the Equitable Life Society, and one time Vice-President and Traffic Manager of the Santa Fe Railroad system.—Norfolk Landmark.

Torture of a Preacher.

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church of Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of Throat and Lungs. At R. R. Bellamy's, druggist; price 50c and $1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free. **

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 22, 1905.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm, 63 1-4.

ROSIN—Market, firm, $3.40.

TAR—Market firm at $1.80 per barrels of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm at $2.80 per barrel for hard, $4.50 per barrel for dip and $4.50 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, steady, 49½c.; rosin, steady, $2.40; tar firm, at $1.60; crude turpentine, firm at $2.30 and $3.60.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	36
Rosin	205
Tar	231
Crude	79

Same day last year—42 casks spirits turpentine, 273 barrels rosin, 231 barrels tar, 79 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market—Nominal.
Same day last year, nominal.
Receipts, 1,165 bales; same day last year, 554 bales.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina, (new) Prime, 80c.; extra prime 85c.; fancy 90c., per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime. 55c.; extra prime, 60c.; fancy, 66c.; Spanish (new), 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 70@75c. per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady, hams, 15 to 16c. per pound; shoulders, 11 to 12; sides dull, 11 to 12.

EGGS—Firm, 26 to 27 per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull, Springs, 15c. to 25c.; Grown, 30 to 35.

BEESWAX—Firm, at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2@5c. per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50c @55c. per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c., pound.

TURKEYS—Firm, 18c. for live; dressed, 20@22c.

HIDES—Dry salted, 12c.; green, 8c. per pound.

PORK—Firm 6 to 7c.; hams, 12 1-2.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 22.—The cotton market was very quiet so far as business was concerned, with a good part of the day given up to the usual preholiday frolic. The close was steady at a net advance of 1 to 6 points; sales were estimated at 250,000 bales, most of which was done during the forenoon. The market opened steady at an advance of 1 to 5 points in response to steady cables. Liverpool seemed to be selling here, however, there was some scattering liquidation, and with some of the local professionals against the market prices worked off to a net decline of 4 to 5 points shortly after the call. There was a rally from this level toward midday and during the balance of the session the market showed little feature. The close was within a point or so of the top. The weather South was wet in the central belt but the precipitation report was light and taken altogether conditions were favorable to the movement. Receipts ran well under last year's and exports were fairly liberal. Southern spot markets were quiet and unchanged to 1-8c higher.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 12.10; middling gulf, 12.35; sales 200 bales.

Futures opened steady. January, 11.53; February, 11.68 bid; March, 11.87; April, 11.94 bid; May, 12.02; June and July, 12.10; August, 11.90 bid; October, 11.05.

Futures closed steady. December, 11.53; January, 11.55; February, 11.70; March, 11.87; April, 11.92; May, 12.01; June, 12.03; July, 12.07; August, 11.89.

Receipts of cotton at the ports today were 39,395 bales against 43,983 last week and 52,531 last year. For the week (estimated) 238,000 bales against 256,717 last week and 301,618 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans, 6,161 bales against 14,709 last year and at Houston, 7,055 bales against 9,674 last year.

Port Movement.

Galveston—Quiet, 11 15-16c.; net receipts, 11,249 bales.

New Orleans—Easy, 12c.; net receipts, 6,161 bales.

Mobile—Steady, 11 5-8c.; net receipts, 1,909 bales.

Savannah—Quiet, 11 11-16c.; net receipts, 5,051 bales.

Charleston—Firm, 11 3-8c.; net receipts, 1,209 bales.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts, 1,165 bales.

Norfolk—Quiet, 11 3-4c.; net receipts, 2,449 bales.

Baltimore—Nominal, 11 7-8c.; n receipts, 1,673 bales.

New York—Quiet, 12.10; net receipts, 100 bales.

Boston—Quiet, 12.10; net receipts, 750 bales.

Philadelphia—Steady, 12.35; net receipts, 95 bales.

Jacksonville — Net receipts, 251 bales.

Miscellaneous — Net receipts, 384 bales.

Total to-day at all ports—Net, 39,395 bales; Exports: Great Britain, 27,659 bales; Continent, 6,029 bales; Stock, 1,132,985 bales.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 240,229 bales; Exports: Great Britain, 101,595 bales; France, 19,426 bales; Continent, 111,537 bales; Japan, 10,322 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all ports—Net, 4,848,081 bales; Exports: Great Britain, 1,490,774 bales; France, 451,247 bales; Continent, 1,261,250 bales; Japan, 31,503 bales; Mexico, 964 bales.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Quiet, 11 15-16c.; net receipts, 7,055 bales.

Augusta—Net receipts, 1,443 bales.

Memphis—Steady, 11 13-16c.; net receipts, 2,273 bales.

St. Louis—QuQiet, 11 7-8c.; net receipts, 750 bales.

Cincinnati — Net receipts, 1,293 bales.

Louisville—Firm, 12c.; net receipts, 542 bales.

Comparative Cotton Statement.

New York, 22, 1905.

For the week ending, Friday Dec. 22nd.:

Net receipts at all U. S. ports during week, 240,229; net receipts at all U. S. ports came week last year, 303,403. Total receipts since September 1st, 4,848,081; total receipts to same date last year, 5,637,194. Exports for the week, 242,700; exports for same week last year, 258,523. Total exports since September 1st, 3,235,738; Total exports same date last year, 4,033,141. Stock at all U. S. ports, 1,132,985; stock at all U. S. ports same time last year, 1,031,560. Stock at all interior towns, 741,768; stock at all interior towns same time last year, 738,088. Stock at Liverpool, 869,000; stock at Liverpool same time last year, 741,000. Stock of American afloat for Great Britain, 419,000; stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year, 402,000.

Cotton Receipts.

New York, Dec. 22, 1905.

The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston, 1,630,922; New Orleans, 804,670; Mobile, 163,666; Savannah, 1,042,447; Charleston, 139,166; Wilmington, 261,374; Norfolk, 450,900; Baltimore, 31,912; New York, 1,503; Boston, 33,434; Newport News, 7,362; Philadelphia, 2,581; San Francisco, 15,309 Brunswick, 102,831; Port Townsend, 13,614; Pensacola, 73,124; Portland, Ore., 576; Port Arthur and Sabine Pass., 53,780; Jacksonville, 8,214; Eagle Pass, Texas, 2,099 bales; El Paso, Texas, 100; Laredo, Texas, 3,500 bales; Minor ports, 4,967. Total, 4,848,081 bales.

Weekly Movement.

New York, Dec. 22, 1905.

The following statistics on the movement of cotton for the week ending, Friday, December 22, 1905, were compiled by the New York Cotton Exchange:

	This Year.	Last Year.
Port receipts	241,652	301,618
Overland to Mills and Canada	37,794	48,967
Southern mill takings (estimated)	68,000	68,000
Grain of Stock at Interior Towns	11,485	13.337
Brought into sight for the week	358,931	405,248
Total Crop Movement.		
Port receipts	4,837,348	5,664,143
Overland to Mills and Canada	355,794	459,886
Southern mill takings (estimated)	841,000	831,000
Stock at Interior Towns in excess of September 1st	556,944	639,039
Brought into sight thus far for season	6,591,086	7,594,068

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Liverpool, Dec. 22.—Cotton.—Spot, moderate business done, prices three points lower. American middling fair, 6.83d.; good middling, 6.49d.; middling, 6.31d.; low middling, 6.15d; good ordinary, 5.97d.; ordinary, 5.81d.

The sales of the day were 2,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 6,200 American. Receipts 73,000 bales, including 63,700 American.

Futures opened quiet and closed quiet; American middling G. O. C; December, 6.19d.; December and January, 6.19d.; January and February, 6.21d.; February and March, 6.25d.; March and April, 6.29d.; April and May, 6.32d.; May and June, 6.35d.; June and July, 6.37d.; July and August, 6.38d.; August and September, 6.29d.; September and October, 6d.; October and November, 5.93d.

NEW YORK FINANCIAL

New York, Dec. 22.—Money on call strong, 6@16 per cent. Ruling rate, 10; closing bid 6, offered at 8. Time money strong; demand good; sixty days and ninety days, 6 per cent. and commission; six months, 6. Prime mercantile paper, 5 1-2@6 per cent. Sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers at 486.35@486.40 for demand and at 483.05@483.10 for sixty day bills. Posted rates, 483 1-2 and 486 1-2@487. Commercial bills, 482 1-2@482 5-8. Bar silver, 65 1-8. Mexican dollars, 50.

N. Y. Bonds.

U. S. refunding, 2s reg	102 3-4
U. S. refunding 2s, cou	103 1-4
U. S. 3s reg	102 3-4
U. S. 3s cou	102 3-4
U. S. old, 4s reg	102 3-4
U. S. old, 4s, cou	103 3-4
U. S. New 4s, reg.	130 3-4
U. S. New 4s cou.	130 3-4
American Tobacco, 4s cert.	80 1-8
American Tobacco, 5s cert.	115 1-8
Atlantic Coast Line, 4s.	101 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio,	103 1-4
L. & N. Unified, 4s	106
Seaboard Air Line,	89 1-8
Southern Railway, 5s	120 3-4
U. S. Steel, 2d 5s	96 5-8

Closing Stock List.

Amalgamated Copper	98 1-8
American Sugar Refining	151 3-4
American Tobacco, pfd., cert.	105
Atlantic Coast Line	158
Baltimore & Ohio	112 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio, pfd.,	97 1-8
Chesapeake & Ohio,	54 3-4
Louisville& Nashville	151
Manhattan L.	163 3-4
New York Central	151
Norfolk & Western,	83 3-4
Norfolk & Western, pfd.,	92
People's Gas	100
Reading	137 1-2
Reading, 1st pfd.,	91 3-4
Reading, 2nd pfd.,	95 1-2
Southern Pacific	66 1-4
Southern Pacific, pfd.,	117 1-8
Southern Railway	35 1-4
Southern Railway, pfd	99 7-8
Tenn., Coal & Iron	136 1-2
U. S. Steel	38 3-8
U. S. Steel, pfd.	104 5-8
Va.-Car. Chemical	48 3-4
Va.-Car. Chemical, pfd.	115
S. A. L. Bld,	34 1-2
S. A. L., pfd.,	
Standard Oil	687
Western Union	92 1-4

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Increased receipts of wheat at the principal grain centres of the United States was the chief cause of a weak wheat market here today. At the close wheat for May delivery was off 3-4. Corn was down 1-8 @1-4c. Oats showed a loss of 1-8c. Provisions were a shade to 5c lower.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close.
Wheat, No. 2.—				
Dec.	83⅜	83⅜	82¼	82½
May	87¾	87⅞	87	88⅛
July	83⅜	83½	83	83½
Corn, No. 2.—				
Dec., old	50	50	49	49
Dec., new	45¼	45¼	44⅜	44⅝
May	44¼	44⅜	44⅛	44¼
July	44½	44⅝	44⅜	44⅜
Oats, No. 2.—				
Dec.	30⅝	30⅝	30⅝	30⅝
May	31⅞	32	31⅜	31⅞
July	30½	30⅝	30⅜	30⅝
Lard, per 100 lbs.—				
Jan.	13.45	13.52½	13.45	13.47½
May	13.60	13.67½	13.60	13.60
Mess Pork, per bbl.—				
Dec.	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.45
Jan.	7.42½	7.45	7.35	7.37½
May	7.42½	7.45	7.32½	7.40
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—				
Jan.	7.10	7.10	7.02½	7.02½
May	7.23½	7.27½	7.22½	7.23½
July	7.35	7.40	7.35	7.35

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, dull, prices unchanged; No. 2 spring wheat, 84@86; No. 3 spring wheat, 80@85 1-2; No. 2 red, 87 1-4@87 3-4; No. 2 corn, 49; No. 2 yellow, 49; No. 2 oats, 30 3-8; No. 2 white, 31 1-2@32; No. 3 white, 29 3-4@31; No. 2 rye, 65@66; Mess pork, per bbl., 12.75@12.80; Lard, per 100 lbs., 7.42½@7.45; Short ribs sides (loose), 6.90@7.10; Short clear sides (boxed), 7.12½@7.25; Whiskey, basis of high wines, 1.30.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET

New York, Dec. 22.—Flour dull and barely steady.

WHEAT—Spot easy; No. 2 red, 91 elevator. Options, 3-8 to 5-8c. net lower. May, 91 1-2; July, 87 3-4; December, 94 3-4.

CORN—Spot easy; No. 2 old, 58 elevator. Options 1-8c higher to 1-2c net lower. May, 50; July, 50 1-4; December, 56 7-8.

OATS—Spot steady; mixed, 37@37 1-2.

LARD—Steady; western steamed, 7.80@7.85. Refined steady.

PORK—Steady.

RICE—Steady.

MOLASSES—Firm.

COFFEE—Spot Rio firm; mild steady; Cordova, 9 3-4@12 3-4. Futures steady, net unchanged to 5 points higher.

SUGAR—Raw strong; fair refining, 3 1-8; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 5-8; molasses sugar, 2 7-8; refined steady.

CHEESE—Firm, small and large, colored and white; October best, 13@13 1-4.

EGGS—Strong; nearby selected, 36@38; western finest, selected, 29@30; southern, 22@28.

POTATOES—Irish steady, unchanged; sweets easy; Jersey per barrel, 1.50@2.00.

PEANUTS—Steady, unchanged.

FREIGHTS—Steady, unchanged.

CABAGES—Slow, unchanged.

COTTON SEED OIL—Easier for crude but steady for futures. Prime crude f. o. b. mills, 22 to 22 1-2; prime summer yellow, 29 1-2@29 3-4; prime white, 31 1-2@32; prime winter yellow 31 1-2@32.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 22.—Turpentine quiet at 66 1-2 to 67; rosin steady, strained common to good, 3.50 to 3.60.

Savannah, Dec. 20.—Turpentine firm, 54; sales 846; receipts, 222; shipments, 50.

Rosin nothing doing; receipts, 1,636; shipments, 100. Quote: A. B. C., 3.60; D., 3.65; E., 3.75; F., 3.80; G., 3.85; H., 3.90; I., 3.95; K., 4.07 1-2; M., 4.67 1-2; N., 5.05; W. G., 5.30; W. W., 5.55.

Charleston, Dec. 22.—Turpentine firm, 63; sales none.

Rosin firm; sales 300 barrels. Quote: A. B. C., 3.30; D., 3.50; E., 3.60; F., 3.65; G., 3.70; H., 3.75; I., 3.80; K., 3.90; M., 4.50; N., 4.80; W. G., 5.10; W. W., 5.35.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 22.—The drygoods market today remained quiet as is usual the holiday season. Sellers generally were confident in the future.

MARINE

ARRIVED

Steamer City of Fayetteville, Edge, Fayetteville, T. D. Love.

Steamer Tar Heel, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, E. M. King.

Steamer Navahoe, Hale, Georgetown, S. C., H. G. Smallbones.

CLEARED.

Steamer Tar Heel, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T. D. Love.

Steamer City of Fayetteville, Edge, Fayetteville, T. D. Love.

Schooner Judge Boyce, Eskridge, Fernandina, C. D. Mafflitt.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port of Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Ribera (Br), 2,252 tons, Hurford, Heide & Co.

Hesleyside (Br) 1.687 tons, Bedlington, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Cairndon (Br.) 1,732 tons, Askby, Heide & Co.

Brighton (Br.) 2,273 tons, Kragh, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Ships.

Fitzjames (Br.), 1,831 tons, Fearson, Heide & Co.

Barques.

Nordenskjoid, (Nor.), 695 tons, Hasse, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Jno. S. Deering, 397 tons, Gamage, C. D. Mafflitt

F. & T. Lupton, 797 tons, ongstreet, C. D. Mafflitt.

Mabel Darling (Br) 111 tons, Saunders, J. A. Springer & Co.

Carrie A. Bucknam, 235 tons, Torrey, C. D. Mafflitt.

Alice J. Crabtree, 325 tons, Crabtree, C. D. Mafflitt.

Maggie S. Hart, 591 tons, Farrow, C. D. Mafflitt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 22, 1905.

C. C. Railroad—25 bales cotton, 20 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—199 bales cotton,

W. C. & A. Railroad—809 bales cotton, 4 barrels rosin, 31 barrels tar, 22 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—85 bales cotton, 15 casks spirits turpentine, 82 barrels rosin, 73 barrels tar, 37 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & N. Railroad—16 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 26 barrels rosin.

Steamer Alice—2 casks spirits turpentine, 32 barrels rosin, 4 barrels tar.

Steamer City of Fayetteville—31 bales cotton, 16 casks spirits turpentine, 61 barrels rosin, 103 barrels tar, 20 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—4,165 bales cotton, 36 casks spirits turpentine, 205 barrels rosin, 231 barrels tar, 79 barrels crude turpentine.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

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Millions rush in mad chase after health, from one extreme of faddism to another, when if they would only eat good food, and keep their bowels regular with Dr. King's New Life Pills, their troubles would all pass away. Prompt relief and quick cure for liver and stomach trouble. 25c a tR. R. Bellamy's drug store; guaranteed. **

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY EXCURSION RATES, 1905-6
TO
All points east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac Rivers, Via.
ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Tickets for the public will be sold at one and one-third fares plus twenty-five cents for the round trip on December 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th and 31st, 1905, and January 1st, 1906, final return limit January 4th.

Tickets for Students and Teachers will be on sale from December 17th to 24th inclusive, with final return limit January 8th, 1906, upon presentation and surrender of certificate signed by Superintendents, Principals or Presidents of the various colleges. For further information, call on your nearest ticket agent or write

W. J. CRAIG,
General Pasenger Agent,
Wilmington, N. C.
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Of Herpicide Is In Giving It a Thorough Trial.

There is only one test by which to judge of the efficiency of any article and that is by its ability to do that which it is intended to do. Many hair vigors may look nice and smell nice, but the point is—do they eradicate Dandruff and stop falling hair?

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It is a delightful dressing, clear, pure and free from oil or grease.

Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

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XMAS. RATES via SEABOARD.

The Xmas rates via the Seaboard will go on sale for the public December 22 to 26, Dec. 30, 31 and Jan. 1, final limit Jan. 4th. For Teachers and Students, Dec. 17th to 24th. inclusive final limit Jan. 8th. The rates are one fare and one-third plus 25 cents for round trip, minimum rate 50 cents.

For rates, timetables, etc., apply to
C. H. GATTIS, T. P. A.
Raleigh, N. C.
Dec. 21-till Jan. 1.

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"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle, with chronic stomach and liver trouble,, but at last I won, and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold, under guarantee to do the same for you, by R. R. Bellamy, druggist, at 50c. a bottle. Try them to-day. **

A Fearful Fate.

It is a fearful fate to have to endure the terrible torture of Piles. "I can truthfully say," writes Harry Colson, of Masonville, Ia., "that for Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Protruding Piles, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, is the best cure made." Also best for cuts, burns and injuries, 25c at R. R. Bellamy's druggist. **

BIG CURES in 1 to 5 days. Guaranteed not to stricture. Prevents Contagion. THE EVANS CHEMICAL CO. CINCINNATI, O. U. S. A.
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These tiny CAPSULES are superior to Balsam of Copaiba, Cubebs or Injections and CURE IN 48 HOURS the same diseases without inconvenience. Sold by all druggists. MIDY

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WHITE and RED BLISS,
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Dec. 6-tf

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS!

The Star will send, without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messengers to your place of business or residence for advertisements for our Business Locals department. 'Phone the Star Office, No. 51.

Rates—Twenty-five cents for each insertion of twenty-five words, or less. Additional words, more than twenty-five, one cent per word. Positively, cash in advance.

The A. D. T. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co.; or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams, and but a small charge for notes and small packages. For this service call Western Union, 'Phone 2. But for advertisements always call the Star Office, 'Phone 51.

STAR BRANCHES.

For the benefit of those who may find it more convenient, advertisements may be left at the following Branch Offices, where they will receive as prompt and careful attention as it left at the Star Office, and with no additional cost to the advertiser.

JAS. M. HALL'S DRUG STORE—Corner 5th and Castle streets. Phone 192.

BULLUCK'S DRUG STORE—313 North Front street. Phone 150.

W. C. MUNDS' DRUG STORE—Corner 7th and Orange streets. Phone 554.

L. B. SASSER'S DRUG STORE—Corner 8th and Market streets. Phone 135.

WM. NIESTLIE, DRUGGIST—S. W. Corner 7th and Red Cross streets. Phone 216.

SOUTH-SIDE DRUG COMPANY—Corner Front and Castle street. Phone 278.

TANGERINES, SEEDLESS ORANGES, Grape Fruit, California Pears, Grapes, Florida Oranges, Pine Apples, Lemons, Apples, Bananas and Nuts of all kinds at "The Oasis," 108½ Princess. 'Phone 914. de23-tf

HOT CHOCOLATE WITH WHIPPED Cream, Clam and Tomato Bouillon, Beef Tea, Soups, Sandwiches and home-made Cakes at "The Oasis," the ladies' light lunch resort. de23-tf

FOR RENT @ $20—HOUSE ON SEVENTH street near Princess. W. M. Cumming, Real Estate and Notary. de22-2t

FOR SALE @ $1,750—HOUSE AND Large Lot on North Ninth street, 11 rooms. House on South Eighth street at $1,600. Several lots in S. E. part of the city. Cheap for cash, or on time. W. M. Cumming, Real Estate and Notary. de22-2t

FLORIDA ORANGES — WE HAVE 'Em—Large lot Russetts and Brights, 96s, 126s, 150s, 176s, 200s, 216s and 250s to box. Choice fruit. Let us have your orders. Wm. E. Worth & Co. 'Phone 94. de21-tf

WANTED—CONTRACTOR TO CUT and haul timber at Brinkley's, Columbus Co. There will be 4,000,000 feet. Want 8,000 to 10,000 feet hauled to mill every day. Timber located near mill. Will pay fair prices. Apply or write at once to L. F. SWAIN, Beaufort, N. C. de20-6t*

OH! THAT HOT COFFEE AND Rolls every morning and those nice Home-Made Pies every day at the Dixie Cafe. 117 Princess street. de21-tf

FOR SALE—MY FARM AND HOUSEhold and Kitchen Furniture and some fine Blooded Hogs, Chickens, &c., as I am compelled to change my Business. W. J. Potter, Kelly's, N. C. Dec. 20, 1905. de21-2t*

STOLEN, FROM PIAZZA OF RESIdence, No 111 South Fifth street, Tuesday evening, a package of dry goods. A reward will be paid for its recovery, and an additional reward for evidence to convict the thief. de21-3t

JUST RECEIVED FRESH LOT FINE Preserves, Candies and Fruits. Fine Cakes and Crackers, including Fruit and Pound Cake, in fact, any thing you may want to make a Christmas dinner. Give us your orders. 'Phone 547. Store 605 North Fourth street. S. F. Craig. de21-tf

REPETTI'S CELEBRATED CANDIES, chocolates, bon-bons, caromels, marshmallows and many others. Salted peanuts and mixed nuts in original 5c. packages. Drop in while waiting for car, 108 1-2 Princess. 'Phone 914. "The Oasis." de17-tf

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Money can't furnish a better Cigar. It's sold on its merits. Stands for quality. We prove all We claim by a trial at our expense. Sold locally by all reputable Dealers.
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Then and now go to HAMME, The Hatter and Clother. Gent's Furnishings. Will appreciate the call and fit you up nicely.
24 North Front Street.

Holiday Presents

We announce the exhibition of an interesting and complete line of Christmas Books, Pictures and Novelties for the
HOLIDAY SEASON.
An early inspection is advised in order to avoid the usual rush.
C. W. Yates & Co.
Market St.
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PHONE NO. 609.—HANOVER IRON Works Co. Plumbers and Tinners. We have moved to No. 2 South Water Street. W. E. King, Manager. oc6-tf

FRESH ARRIVALS—BANANAS, Apples, Onions, Oranges, Cabbage, and Irish Potatoes. Two cars just arrived. A. S. Winstead. oc22-tf

LADIES DELIGHT TO DROP IN AT "The Oasis" for light lunches, hot soups, bouillon, beef tea, or chocolate with whipped cream. We await your pleasure. de17-tf

FOR RENT — PHOTOGAPH GALlery, No. 114 Market street between Front and Second. Best location in the city. Possession given at once. Apply to B. H. J. Ahrens. de7-tf

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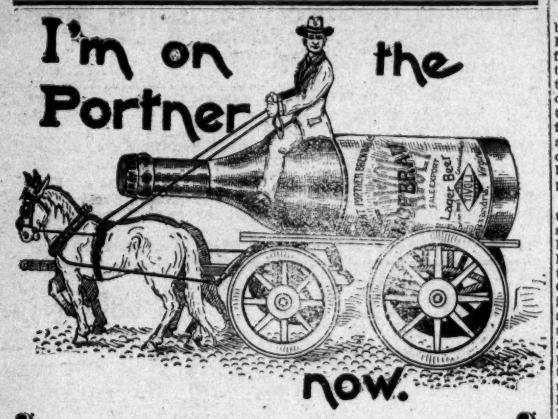

Because Portner's HOFBRAU Export Beer is brewed from the finest hops and malt that can be procured, is bottled EXCLUSIVELY at the brewery, and is sold ONLY in bottles. Blending the nutritive qualities of barley and the bitter tonic properties of hops, with a minimum of alcohol (3 1-2—4 per cent), it constitutes a fine tonic for the sick and a wholesome beverage for the well. The remarkable hop strength of HOFBRAU is of great medicinal value in its sedative effect upon nervous disorders. With meals, it aids digestion, and will produce refreshing sleep if used just before retiring. Try it!

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OTTO BANCK, Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

PHONE 99.

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To one and all is our sincere wish.

We are going to put our good wishes into action by offering you the choicest and best gifts at prices that are fair.

Carving Sets and Table Ware.
Baker Hammerless Guns.
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Air Rifles the best on the market.

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Special Sale on Blankets.

SPECIAL SALE ON BLANKETS.

Having a broken lot of these special numbers, we will close them out at cost, as long as they last.

10-4 All-Wool Scarlet Blankets, was $4.00, now $3.25
10-4 White Blankets, sold for $3.00, now $2.50
11-4 White Blankets, sold for $5.00, now $3.75
11-4 White Blankets, sold for $4.00, now $3.00
Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, all pure linen, worth $1.50 doz., to go at $1.00
Children's All-Linen Handkerchiefs, per doz. 60c

Agent for the C. B. and Warner's Rust-Proof Corsets. Every Pair Warranted.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Henrietta Dunn, colored, who weighed over 400 pounds, died in Raleigh on Thursday and was buried in a great oaken box, which was hauled to the cemtery in a wagon.

—At Fayetteville on Wednesday John Covington, a negro employed by the Southern Express Company, disappeared just after the arrival of a noon train, and with him went a money package containing $385.64. A negro supposed to be Covington has been arrested at Red Springs.

—A passenger car and two freight cars on the Raleigh & Southport Railway were derailed near Raleigh on Thursday, jumping the track. No passengers were hurt. Engineer Burkett was injured by the reversing lever, which broke four of his ribs, the end of one rib being forced into his lungs.

—The two-year-old son of N. F. Brooks was burned to death at the family home in Newbern Wednesday night. The child was left alone for a few minutes and the father heard his cry and, going to his assistance, found the child in a mass of flames. The frantic father dashed some water over it but did not put the fire out. The child was burned almost to a crisp and lived six hours.

—While at work in an excavation at the dam of the Whitney Reduction Company's plant on the Yadkin river, near Norwood, Stanly county, a negro laborer unearthed a nugget of pure gold weighing a fraction over two hundred ounces. This valuable find is worth something over $3,500. The negro was working for a dollar a day at the time and this lucky find places him in comfortable circumstances.

—Before adjournment of the Superior Court at Greensboro on Thursday, Judge Ward announced that he had reduced the fine of W. S. Duffie from $200 to $100 in the gambling case against him and Sol. and Julius Cone and S. J. Kaufman, four well-known young men who entered a plea of guilty last week. After hearing argument of counsel Judge Ward stated that he would also reduce the fine of the Messrs. Cone from $500 to $400, the fine of Kaufmann remaining $200.

An exciting affair occurred at Newbern on Wednesday when Capt. Mark Fulcher kidnapped his own child by forcible entry to his wife's home and taking his two-year-old daughter. He took her to his home. The act is the culmination of a number of suits for the possession of the child and the father contends that the mother is not a proper person to take care of the child. Capt. Flucher has not been molested yet, but it is likely that legal proceedings will be instituted.

—R. D. W. Connor, of the office of the State superintendent of public instruction, made an address to the public school teachers and children at Raleigh on Calvin H. Wiley, founder of the public school system in North Carolina. Secretary of State Grimes, in an address, said North Carolina inaugurated antoher humane and signal service, and that a North Carolinian, as Secretary of the Navy, opened Japan to the world. He paid a tribute to Gen. Robert Hoke, saying the majority of the Confederate cabinet had agreed on him to succeed Robt. E. Lee, in case he was killed.

—Charlotte Observer: State Adjutant General T. R. Robertson left last night for Raleigh, where he goes on official business. The State is making a demand on the National government for about $40,000, the amount of pay due the soldiers of this State during the period between the time they volunteered and the time they were mustered in. General Robertson goes to Raleigh to assist in adjusting the claims. If the amount is collected it will be distributed among the individual soldiers of the two regiments in this State furnished during the war.

—Drs. N. A. Thompson and R. G. Rozier and Mr. R. C. Lawrence have obtained a charter for the Lumberton Sanitarium. The company is incorporated with an authorized capital of $25,000 but will commence operation as soon as $10,000 has been paid in by stockholders. The stockholders will be citizens of Lumberton and Robeson county, thus making it a home enterprise in the promotion and welfare of which all her people will be interested. Drs. Thompson and Rodgers will be in charge of the sanitarium by all physicians in the county will have access to its advantages. The exact site has not been decided upon at present, but it will be located as near the center of town as possible.

—Thursday evening between 6 and 7 o'clock at Durham Miss Eleanor Wheeler, who is employed in a downtown photograph galery, was robbed by some person while she was on her way home. While not positive, Miss Wheeler is of the opinion that her assailant was a negro. He escaped in the darkness after getting the purse, containing a small amount of money. The robbery was bold in that it occurred within four or five blocks of the center of the city. The robber was concealed in an alley-way, and, as Miss Wheeler passed, he jumped out and grabbed her by the shoulders and threw her into a mudhole. The young lady screamed, but the assailant grabber her purse and made off in the darkness.

NEW CRUISER CHARLESTON.

Magnificent War Ship Will Visit Charleston Jan. 9th-11th.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Elaborate preparations are being made by the people of Charleston for the reception which that port will give to her namesake, the new ten thousand ton protected cruiser Charleston, the first of her class, which, will visit Charleston January 9, 10 and 11 next and will be presented with a handsome silver service by the city. Secretary Bonaparte has tentatively accepted an invitation to attend and he is anticipating making the trip in the new ship If he goes, the army will join with the navy in welcoming him to the city. Nothing definite has been decided yet about the trip and much will depend upon the disposition of several important official matters pending. After her visit to Charleston, Commander Winslow will take his ship out for her final trial and will then start for the Pacific coast.

Seaboard Air Line Railway—Passenger Department.

Commencing Monday, November 29th, the Seaboard will operate Cafe cars on trains 31 and 34 between Washington and Richmond and on trains 43 and 66 between Hamlet and Washington. First car, southbound train No. 43, Tuesday, November 28th; first car, north-bound train, No. 66, tion to this on the 5th of December they will establish Parlor Car Service between Washington and Pinehurst on trains Nos. 43 and 66, and on December 18th, tri-weekly sleeping car service on trains No. 31 and 34 between Washington and Pinehurst.

de12-12t Raleigh, N. C.

Every man who reads real estate ads is a possible buyer of your property—and every man who is able and inclined to buy property is a reader of real estate ads. Try a Star Business Local. **

Rates via Seaboard Account of Christmas Holidays.

The Seaboard begs to announce that during the Christmas holidays they will participate in the sale of tickets at reduced rates under the following rules and regulations.

FOR THE PUBLIC.

Rate of one and one-third first-class fares, plus twenty-five (25) cents, (minimum rate fifty (50) cents) to all points east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, including Washington, D. C., and to St. Louis, Mo., and intermediate points on the Frisco System, Louisville and Nashville R. R., Illinois Central R. R., Mobile and Ohio R. R., and the Southern railway.

Dates of sale—December 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th and 31st, 1905, and January 1st, 1906.

Final limit—Continuous passage in each direction final limit January 4th, 1905.

FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS.

For teachers and students of schools and colleges, same rate will apply as shown above, to points in the territory of the Southeastern Passenger Association, on presentation and surrender of certificates signed by the Superintendent, Principal or President of the school or college.

For teachers and students, rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip will also apply to points in the territory of the Southwestern Excursion Bureau and Western Passenger Association (i. e., all points in Texas, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma Territory, Kansas and Colorado, east of and including Denver, Col., and Cheyenne, Wyo., up to Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis, Mo., and to all points in the territory of the Central Passenger Association, (i. e., all points north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers between a line drawn from St. Louis to Chicago on the west, and from Buffalo through Salamanca, N. Y., Pittsburg, Pa. Wheeling and Parkersburg, W. Va. on the east). Rates to these points will not apply to teachers or students of preparatory, public or high schools.

Date of sale—December 17th to 24th inclusive.

Final limit—Continuous passage in each direction, final limit January 8th, 1905.

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Raleigh, N. C.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over 60 years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. **

Florida Oranges

50 Boxes Nice Florida Oranges.
50 Bags Cocoanuts.
100 Boxes Mixed Nuts.
300 Boxes New Crop Raisins.

ALSO

10,000 Bags Salt.
700 Bags Rice.
2,000 Kegs Nails.

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Solid train load of other Groceries.

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Dec. 28, 29, 30.

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Consumptives absolutely excluded.

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There is really only one complete stock of toys and dolls in the City of Wilmington, and Gaylord's big store is the place to find that.

Here can be found everything that the child's mind will conceive of, or the minds of man can produce. In fact, there is nothing in the way of a Toy or a novelty for your child that we have not though of and brought here for your inspection. This we ask, and I am sure that we will get your business.

Bring the little ones to our store and let them see the many beautiful things. We feel over confident that their childish dreams can be realized here and furthermore we have made our prices so low that it will really take so little to make them happy, that we are sure you can supply their every want and then save money for their savings banks.

Come early before the stock is picked over, and you will be more than pleased; also, remember that the Big Store keeps other things besides Toys. No home in Wilmington is complete unless you have some of our Merchandise. This is the store that caters to your every want.

We can please your child, and we will please you, come and bring the little ones with you.

Geo. O. Gaylord's

Three Stores Combined.

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Anthracite Coal Comparison

Analysis of best Pennsylvania Anthracite made by Geological Survey.		Analysis of best Virginia Anthracite, which we are selling, made by Prof. Andrew McGreath.	
Water	2.270	Water	.620
Volatile Matter	8.830	Volatile Matter	10.520
Fixed Carbon	78.831	Fixed	82.029
Sulphur	.676	Sulphur	.526
Ash	9.393	Ash	6.305
	100.000		100.000

This comparison shows we are not selling a substitute for Anthracite Coal, but a better Anthracite Coal than anything mixed in Pennsylvania. We solicit your orders. Our price is $6.50 per ton.

Respectfully,

WM. E. WORTH & CO.,

'Phone 94. We respectfully Solicit your orders. 'Phone 9.

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The C. W. Polvogt Co's.

"The Store That's Always Busy."

Will offer this week an excellent opportunity for economical, satisfactory Christmas buying, that nobody can afford to miss.

We have added to every department in our store suitable goods for Holiday gifts at prices that are astonishingly low. We have the largest and best chosen lines of really desirable presents for all ages, and have provided for all requirements. Whether you have in mind a gift for old or young, rich or poor, we can please you. Our stock is ready for inspection. We give Southern Trading Stamps with every purchase.

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The C. W. Polvogt Co.,

Front Street—Opposite Postoffice.

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FOR CHRISTMAS!

A pass book of this Company will prove an acceptable gift to anyone.

Deposits of $1.00 and upwards may be made in any name desired.

Let us be your SANTA CLAUS.

The Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.

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C. E. TAYLOR, JR., Cashier.

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The gain in new building and industry in North Carolina is greater than at any period in the State's history.. The North Carolina Home Insurance Company, of Raleigh, N. C., should receive its proposition of this prosperity as compared with the percentage of new business given to it in periods of less industrial activity. Give it the insurance on the desirable new properties you have to offer. It will help to build up our home State and continue the great era of prosperity now enjoyed by our people.

WALKER TAYLOR, Agent., Wilmington, N. C.

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SEEDS For TRUCKERS

Black Valentine Beans, bush. $6.00
Vaughan's Arlington White Spine Cucumber, lb. $1.00
Davis Wax Beans, bush. - $6.00
Rust Proof Beans, bush. - $5.00
Maud S. Peas, bush. - - $3.50

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VAUGHAN'S SEED STORE, 14 BARCLAY ST., NEW YORK

STATEMENT.

Report of the Condition of The Southern National Bank, at Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, November 9, 1905:

Resources.

Loans and Discounts		$255,340.57
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		200,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds.		7,500.00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		4,738.14
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	$53,497.24	
Due from State Banks and Bankers	42,329.63	
Due from approved reserve ag'ts.	47,130.03	
Checks and other cash items	3,191.52	
Notes of other National Banks.	52,644.00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents.	288.11	199,080.53
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz.:		
Specie	$17,425	
Legal-tender notes.	6.000	23,425.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)		6,250.00
Total		$696,334.24

Liabilities.

Capital stock paid in		$200,000.00
Surplus fund		24,110.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.		2,204.87
National Bank notes outstanding		200,000.00
Due to other National Banks.	$56,322.07	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	92,257.36	
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks.	22,712.99	
Due to approved reserve agents.	270.37	
Individual deposits subject to check	98,174.84	
Cashier's checks outstanding	281.74	270,019 37
Total		$696,334.24

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, ss.:

I C. N. Evans, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. N. EVANS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of November, 1905.

C. E. TAYLOR, JR., Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
MATT J. HEYER,
D. L. GORE,
JNO. A. ARRINGDALE,
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'PHONE 90.

North Carolina, Pender County. In the Superior Court, Pender County. O. P. Johnson, on behalf of himself and all other stockholders and creditors who come in and make themselves parties plaintiff, vs. The Burgaw Mnufacturing Company. Notice to creditors.

Pursant to an order of the Superior Court issued herein, this is to notify all creditors of the Burgaw Manufacturing Company, a corporation, to file their respective claims, duly proven as the law provides, with the undersigned receivers of said corporation on or before Monday, the 8th day of January, 1906, or they will be denied the right to participate in the assets of said corporation.

This the 4th day of December, 1905.

W. D. CROOM,
L. V. GRADY,
Receivers of the Burgaw Manufacturing Company.

de5-till jan 9.

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NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 42
Lv. Wilmington	9 25 a m	6 50 p m
Ar. Goldsboro	12 15 p m	9 32 p m
Ar. Wilson	1 16 p m	10 25 p m
Ar. Rocky Mount	1 56 p m	11 10 p m
Ar. Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar. Weldon	4 58 p m	1 47 a m
Ar. Petersburg	6 56 p m	3 23 a m
Ar. Richmond	7 46 p m	4 07 a m
Ar. Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar. Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar. Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar. New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 49
Lv. New York	9 35 a m	5 25 p m
Ar. Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar. Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar. Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar. Norfolk	.....	8 40 a m
Lv. Richmond	7 25 p m	9 05 a m
Ar. Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar. Weldon	9 51 p m	11 44 a m
Ar. Rocky Mount	11 00 p m	1 10 p m
Ar. Wilson	11 32 p m	2 05 p m
Ar. Goldsboro	6 58 a m	3 10 p m
Ar. Wilmington	10 05 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily via Wilson
Lv Wilmington	8 00 am	2 45 pm	6 56 pm
Ar Florence	9 35 am	7 40 pm	3 55 am
Ar Charleston	1 20 pm	11 40 pm	6 50 am
Ar Savannah	6 45 pm	2 50 am	9 05 am
Ar Jack'ville		8 40 am	1 45 pm
Ar Tampa		6 55 pm	11 00 pm

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Lv Jacksonville	7 55 a m	7 00 p m
Ar. Savannah	12 55 p m	1 15 a m
Lv Charleston	4 16 p m	6 15 a m
Ar Florence	7 35 p m	9 25 a m
Ar. Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.	East Bound Daily.
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar. 8 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 20 p m	Ar. 4 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv. 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

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In Effect Nov. 27, 1905.
(Daily.)

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	Leave Beach.
7.00 A. M.	8.15 A. M.
10.00 A. M.	10.45 A. M.
11.30 A. M.	12.15 P. M.
1.30 P. M.	2.15 P. M.
3.00 p m	4.45p m
6.00 P. M.	6.45 P. M.
7.30 P. M.	9.15 P. M.

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	10.45 p. m.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

Saturday Morning, Dec. 23.

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INSURANCE INQUIRY TAKES HOLIDAY

Investigation Yesterday Brought Out Revelations About Mutual Life—Scheme to Hide Losses.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

New York, Dec. 22.—Additional testimony as to the management of the Mutual Life Insurance Company was adduced to-day by witness and before the legislative committee on insurance investigation tending to show that the company used profits from the sale of securities to conceal the reduction of book values of real estate or losses as A. E. Hughes counsel to the committee called them. Francis H. Hendricks, the State superintendent of the insurance department, when on the stand yesterday said he had never heard of such a thing and that it had never been called to his attention. Today after auditors of the Mutual Life had testified to this fact, Isaac Vanderpool, chief examiner of the department, declared that he had discovered the matter in his examination of the company last year, when in his report he gave the company what was practically a certificate of "good character." He said these manipulations of the figures were not apparent in the books. These transfers of profits to the debit side of the profit and loss account were made by the auditors upon instructions of President McCurdy and Vice President Grannis and the written instructions were produced. They named the figures that adjusted the accounts and last year while there was really a profit of almost a million and a half dollars, when these transfers were made, no profit whatever was shown.

Mr. Vanderpool said he had examined the report of 1904, which showed no profits from the sale of securities. Although he knew this was untrue, he did not so report it because he did not think it was necessary. The same situation existed in the New York Life according to Mr. Vanderpool, although the practice was not general and when asked what he did in the matter, he said, "nothing." Mr. Vanderpool said he had examined the Hanover Bank account of the New York Life in 1900 and did not find the $100,000 that was paid to Andrew Hamilton. Mr. Vanderpool never knew of the year end loans of the Metropolitan Life to Vermilye & Co and never knew how the company handled its collateral loans. He said he never in an examination of a company went back of its ledgers.

Henry D. Appleton, second deputy in the insurance department, was on the stand a large part of the afternoon. Mr. Appleton said that no more attention is paid to the statement of a New York company than is paid to the statement of a company incorporated in any other State. He said no actual inspection is made of a report unless examination is made.

The committee adjourned over Christmas and will resume its investigation next Wednesday.

TRAGEDY ON FLYING TRAIN.

Two Prisoners Kill Their Guard and are Shot by Passengers.

By Wire to The Morning Star

Mount Carmel, Ills., Dec. 22.—Two men were killed, a third was probably fatally injured and every window was shot out of a passenger coach on the Southern Railway today when two men in custody for larceny tried to escape by killing a constable. Incidentally, twenty-five passengers in the car were kept busy dodging bullets for several minutes, the train meantime running at high speed.

When the smoke had cleared away, Constable James Kingston and Isaac Marshall, one of the prisoners, were dead and Edward Marshall the other prisoner, was probably fatally wounded. A bullet passed through the cap of a brakeman but no one else was hurt.

The Marshall brothers were arrested yesterday on a charge of stealing chickens. They were held for trial. Constable Kingston started for Fairfield with the prisoners. The men in the smoking car were thrown into excitement when one of the Marshall brothers drew a revolver and shot Constable Kingston dead. Several men in the car drew revolvers and attacked the prisoners. Many shots were fired by the armed passengers and by the Marshall brothers. When both the prisoners had fallen to the floor the fight ceased. Edward Marshall was taken to Fairfield and placed in jail with a strong guard to prevent a possible lynching.

BIG TRACTION CONSOLIDATION.

All Lines on Manhattan Island in Big Deal.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

New York, Dec. 22.—A consolidation of the subway, elevated and surface traction lines of Manhattan island is believed to be probable as a result of the sale of the interest of Thomas F. Ryan in the Metropolitan Street Railway system to August Belmont. The Metropolitan system includes practically all of the surface roads on the island and Mr. Belmont is president of the Inter-Borough Rapid Transit Company which operates the elevated roads and the subway. The price paid for the Ryan stock in the Metropolitan was not made public.

After a conference during the afternoon at Mr. Ryan's office which was attended by Andrew Freedman, a director of the Inter-Borough Company, it was announced by counsel for Mr. Belmont and for Mr. Ryan that no official statement would be issued to-day.

There was nothing to indicate that there had been a hitch in the negotiations and it is believed the official confirmation of the big deal simply is withheld temporarily.

MET DEATH IN GOOD HUMOR.

Negro Murderer Left Note Wishing Everybody Merry Christmas.

By Wire to The Morning Star

San Antonia, Tex., Dec. 22.—George H. Turner was hanged here today for the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Lynch last March. As Turner was led to the scaffold a quartette of negro prisoners sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." Turner left a note wishing everybody a "Merry Christmas."

SITUATION BAD IN PROVINCES

Insurgents Lay Siege to Two Cities in Interior of the Russian Empire

NO UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE

Czar and Cabinet Decided Finally Last Night — Government Claims to Have Upperhand of Revolutionaries.

By Cable to The Morning Star

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—The Emperor and his cabinet late last night reached a final decision regarding the electoral law, deciding against universal and equal suffrage and in favor of the extension of the law promulgated August 19 last to include in addition to the small land owners in the country the workmen and the educated classes the small rent payers in the cities. The Douma will be convoked in March.

In high government circles the greatest confidence is expressed that the general strike will fail. So far as St. Petersburg is concerned the battle certainly is going against the revolutionaries.

Unless better results are obtained elsewhere or the fight enters on a distinctly new phase the leaders will be compelled to beat a general retreat in order to save their prestige.

In spite of the herculean efforts of the local chiefs to cheer on their followers the past forty-eight-hours have not produced any extension of the strike.

What was gained yesterday by the strike of the printers which was incomplete, was offset by the return to work of 10,000 men in the Seminovsky mills and the announcement that 12,000 men of the Poutiloff iron works would go back Monday.

The government's stand effectively prevented the strikers from keeping up the excitement in St. Petersburg by 'red flag" demonstrations and by the old plan of marching from mill to mill to force the men to strike. Non-union men, such as the freight carters, began an attack on the strikers.

Some of the leaders already confess that the outlook is discouraging and they express the fear that the organizations were guilty of a blunder in striking without due preparation. Nevertheless they declare that the provinces can still turn the tide.

The main hope of the strike leaders rests on Moscow, to which all eyes are turned and where the coup is practically complete.

Claims Upperhand.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—1:20 P. M.—There was some extension of the strike today in St. Petersburg but the government plainly holds the upperhand here. The success of the strike generally speaking, depends on its development at Moscow and other places in the interior. Evidently the leaders hope to precipitate matters at Moscow with the view of setting up a provisional government there if they can effect a split in the army and also to secure possession of other towns as they did in the case of Kharkoff, but their plans have not matured. They seem to be striking wildly and blindly. The government, it is now apparent, took the revolutionists off their guard and forced the issue, preferring a test of strength before the workmen's organization was complete, confident that a defeat will greatly impair the prestige of the revolutionary leaders among their followers and afford the government time to marshal the forces of convervatism which are disgusted with the prevailing chaos and give the government time to hold the elections.

The railroad men's strike committee made heroic efforts to stop trains from being run out of St. Petersburg today and succeeded in inducing practically all the station and round-house men and many of the trainmen who remained on duty yesterday to join in the strike. Nevertheless the government has been despatching trains under military guards over all the lines, although regular schedules have not been maintained. Soldiers with flags on their bayonets have been doing duty as switchmen. The strikers are intensely enraged at their failure to suspend traffic. They stopped a train from Berlin last night outside of St. Petersburg, using a red lantern, and ordered the engineer out but the soldier guard drove off the strikers and the train proceeded. The engineer of a Kursk train was shot dead in the cab of his engine while taking his train into St. Petersburg.

M. Nimrachieff, minister of communications, has issued an order that all employes failing to report for duty today will be dismissed.

Agitators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Throughout the city notices signed by the prefect of police have been posted announcing that in accordance with the strike law, agitators who incite the people to strike by using threats will be arrested and are subject to a fine of $250 and imprisonment for three months.

The landlords throughout the country were empowered by an imperial ukase made public today to organize guards for the protection of their property.

Twelve Thousand Were Beseiged.

Moscow, Dec. 22.—The 12,000 persons who were beseiged in the aquarium since last night forced the iron railings surounding the building and at 9 o'clock this morning effected their escape through an adjacent school house. A few were wounded in their attempts to escape the military cordon. Seventy of those atending the meeting were arrested but they were subsequently liberated. A few revolvers were siezed and many daggers and revolvers were left behind in the garden surrounding the school house.

Demonstrations of the strikers were continued all day but in every case they were dispersed by Cossacks and dragoons. Several persons were injured but no one was killed. During the day wholesale arrests were made. All business has ben stopped. Several of the baker shops have been plundered. The postals operations continue.

At a meeting of bankers today it was decided to open the banks tomorrow.

A proclamation of the Governor General was gazetted here today establishing martial law in all of the ten governments of Rusisan Poland and appointing ten temporary military governors general.

WARM WIRELETS.

A seat on the New York Stock Exchange was sold yesterday for $93,000, a new high record price.

At Montreal yesterday Judge LaFontaine, Canadian extradition commisisoner, committed J. N. Strobhar for extradition to the State of Georgia on a charge of stealing a large sum of money from the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company.

Sales in the Fall river printcloth market for the wek amounted to about 75,000 pieces. Goods secured by buyers during the wek were for deliveries up to the first of April. Prices have continued without any change on a basis of 3 3-4 for regulars.

In Asheville, N. C., last night Chas. Olsen, the conqueror of Ono, the Japanese jiu jitsu expert, and James Parr, the English champion, issued a challenge to any wrestler in the world, no right barred. Olsen at present claims the world's middle weight championship.

Herbert H. D. Peirce, third assistant Secretary of State, has been selected by the President as the first American minister to Norway. Chas. Denby, chief clerk of the Department, has been determined upon as successor to Peirce in the State Department. Official announcement also was made that David Thompson, former minister to Brazil, has been chosen as ambassador to Mexico.

One passenger was killed and six injured in a wreck on the Illinois Central Railroad near Holly Springs, Miss. yesterday morning. Two coaches of a northbound passenger train running betwen Canton, Miss. and Cairo, were derailed and turned over a 25 foot embankment. Mrs. James Wade, of Sidon, Miss., was crushed to death. Dr. William Murphy, Jackson, Tenn., will probably die.

EX-PREACHER COMMITS SUICIDE.

Had Two Wives and Confessed That He Loved Both.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 22.—B. J. Gibbons, aged 37 years, after leaving a letter in which he admitted he was a bigamist and expressed dying love for two wives, put a bullet through his head at his Norfolk home today, dying in a short time.

Mrs. Gibbons No. 1 with her two young children are here while, according to the letter left by Gibbons, wife No. 2 whom he married in Valdosta, Ga., December 14, is now at a hotel in Atlanta, Ga.

Nothing has been found to indicate who wife No. 2 was prior to her marriage to Gibbons except an affectionate letter signed "Emma" and written from some point in Florida to Gibbons before their marriage.

Gibbons formerly was a Methodist preacher in Princess Anne county, Maryland, where he married wife No. 1 ten years ago, but lately has been employed as a travelling salesman for a Richmond house.

Gibbons who had been away from his Norfolk home for several weeks, returned last night, telling his wife here that he had been on a visit to their old home in Princess Anne, Md.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 22.—Mrs. B. J. Gibbons, the second living wife of B. J. Gibbons who committed suicide at Norfolk, Va., when seen tonight said: "I am glad he is dead. I have no regrets to express." Mrs. Gibbons No. 2 was formerly Miss Emma Holcomb, of Valdosta, Ga., where she was recently married to Gibbons. She said she makes her home in Atlanta.

NEGRO HANGED IN NEW JERSEY

Arranged to Give Signal After the Trap Was Sprung.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

New York, Dec. 22.—Edwin J. Tapley, a negro murderer, was hanged at the county jail in Jersey City today. It was said that Tapley had arranged with a clergyman to signal with his hands after the drop fell to show that he was alive and realize what was transpiring. Tapley's hands did twitch convulsively but Rev. Emil Meury, with whom it was said he had arranged to make the signals and who witnessed the hanging, refused to say whether the movements of the hands were like the pre-arranged signals. After the rope had ben placed about Tapley's neck and he was asked if he had anything to say he replied:

"Gentlemen, I am guilty of this crime, exceedingly guilty. I am sorry for it. She led me into it by torturing me. I am sorry for it and am justly punshed."

When the hangman stepped forward to tighten the rope Tapley collapsed and fell to his knees. The doctors examined the body seven minutes after it had shot through the trap and found evidence of life. The man was pronounced dead just thirteen minutes after the trap was sprung.

CRAZY MAN RUNS AMUCK.

Killed Sheriff, Shot at Judge—Chased and Captured by Mob.

By Wire to The Morning Star

Uklah, Cal., Dec. 22.—Frank Willard, an insane man, shot and killed Sheriff Henry Smith, of this county, in Judge White's chambers today. He then fired at Judge White but missed. Willard then rushed down the stairs out of the court house shooting at every person who attempted to stop him. Assessor Thomas heard the noise and rushed to his door. Willard thrust his revolver into the official's face but did not shoot. Willard ran through town and headed for the Vichy Springs canyon. An armed posse started in pursuit immediately and came upon him just as he was entering the canyon. Willard emptied a revolver at the pursuers, who returned the fire. No one was hurt. When his revolver was emptied Willard threw it away and begged the officers not to shoot him. The murderer was bound, placed in a wagon and brought to Uklah. A crowd seized the horses and attempted to take the prisoner. A hundred men shouted "Hang him!" but armed guards protected Willard.

Matinee This Afternoon.

The Murray Comedy Company will conclude a very successful week's engagement at the Academy of Music with matinee this afternoon and production to-night. The bill for the matinee will be "Cinderilla" and it will be a bill that will be found especially pleasing to the ladies and children. To-night the company will say farewell with a presentation of "In Missouri."

Burnt wood novelties are shown at Polvogt's. Secure trading stamps there. **

GOV. HIGGINS DOWNS ODELL

Odell Man Beaten for President of Republican Organization in New York

SPEAKERSHIP IS SETTLED

Higgins Satisfied That Odell is Whipped Out All Along the Line—Wadsworth, Roosevelt's Man Will Be Elected Speaker.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

New York, Dec. 22.—Two important conferences of members of the New York State Assembly, to consider the question of the Speakership were held here today. All the Republican members had been invited to the first meeting which was held in the Hotel Cadillac. Only the New York delegation in the Assembly attended the second meeting, which was held very late tonight. The first meeting was called by men whom J. W. Wadsworth, Jr., said were opposed to him though he and every other Republican Assemblyman was invited. Mr. Wadsworth sent out many messages to assemblymen who are supporting him, advising them that no good purpose would be served by their attending the meeting. Thirty-seven Assemblymen were in the conference.

After having been in session more than three hours the confernce adjourned without having taken any action whatever. Assemblyman Jesse, who had issued the call for the conference, declared that no compromise considered was even discussed and that no test vote showing the strength of any considered was taken. The appearance of a compromise considered would not surprise some of the men who are well acquainted with the situation.

Odell Beaten in City.

New York, Dec. 22.—During a contest which continued from 9 o'clock last night until 4 o'clock this morning, marked at times by bitter recriminations but concluding with mutual pledges of support, the control of the New York Couny Republican Committee was wrested from the adherents of former Govenor Benjamin B. Odell, chairman of the Republican State Committee, by the faction headed by Herbert Parsons.

In re-organizing for the coming year, the commitee elected Mr. Pearsons to the presidency in succession to William Halpin and chose other officers named by Parsons' friends. Parsons was nominated by acclamation. In his fight, Mr. Parsons was credited with having the support of Governor Higgins' influence and the sympathy of President Rosevelt.

Higgins is Satisfied.

Albany, N. Y., December 22.—Governor Higgins left Albany tonight to spend Christmas with his family at Olean. He did not attempt to conceal the fact that the outcome of the past week's political conflict was satisfactory to him.

"I regard the contest as practically over," said the Governor, "providing always, of course, that the Assembly must first act for themselves. But in view of the positive pledges which have given for the support of Mr. Wadsworth I regard that matter as settled."

Governor Higgins declared the election of Herbert Parsons as chairman of the New York county committee was "altogether satisfactory" to him. He declined to discuss the probable effect of re-organization or of any of the recent political development upon the State leadership of former Governor Odell or to comment further upon Mr. Odell's attack upon himself and President Roosevelt except to say: "I imagine the President is quite capable of taking care of himself."

SEABOARD AIR LINE DEAL.

Dissenting Interests in Reorganization Sold to Williams People.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Baltimore, Dec. 22.—The Ruhstrat Committtee, whoch was formed soon after the Ryan-Blair plan for the reorganization of the Seaboard Air Line railway was promulgated, to protect the interests of the minority or non-assenting stockholders, and with which about 68,000 shares of preferred and common stock was pooled, announced to-day that it had sold the stock to Middendorf, Williams & Co., of Baltimore, and John L. Williams & Sons, of Richmond.

The price pair were $55 a share for the preferred and $35 a share for the common stock. The amount involved in the transactions was $2,600,000. Payment will be made on or before February 1, 1906, when the stock will be delivered to the purchasers by the International Trust Company. Negotiations for the acquisition of the stock have been pending for several weeks.

OFFERED TO MR. CLEVELAND.

Joseph H. Choate Will Head Delegation to the Hague.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Post tomorrow will say:

Joseph H. Choate in all likelihood will be named by President Roosevelt as chairman of the American delegation to the second Hague peace conference. This selection virtually has been decided on by the President. The President has not yet decided on the other members of the delegation. It is understood that he desired that former President Cleveland should head the delegation but Mr. Cleveland when sounded on the subject expressed a disinclination to undertake the work.

WILLIAM J. BRYAN IN MANILA.

Enthusiastically Received by People—Refuses to Talk.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Manila, Dec. 22.—W. J. Bryan arrived at non today and was given an enthusiastic reception by committees representing the citizens and the Elks. He declined to discuss politcs and he would express no opinion upon the State of Nebraska, going Republican at the last election. He said he had enjoyed hugely his visit to Japan. Mr. Bryan has given up his idea of a trip to Australia. He will remain in Manila for about two weeks and then sail for India.

Cash spent at Polvogt's to-day will secure trading stamps. **

LETS THE SUNSHINE INTO BLIGHTED LIVES

Drink May Drive a Man Almost to Despair But There is Rescue for Him.

The Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.:

I do not know when I commenced drinking intoxicating liquor, but ever since I can remember I have taken it and it created the thirst and I continued to drink till I went to the Keeley Institute at Greensboro, February, 1901. It was the best schooling I ever received. I graduated in three weeks, lost all thirst for intoxicating liquor. I came home a sober man. Parents, for my sake, and for the sake of your Heavenly Father, do not let your children drink. And now let me ask all young and older ones to remember what the good Lord says will become of a drunkard. He says no drunkard shall enter his kingdom. Now you see, if a man leads a drunkard's life on earth, and misses Heaven, he has suffered and has caused others to suffer all his days, and then dies a lost soul. Drink blights more happiness than all other curses on earth. Now a word in regard to my fare at the Institute, it was so good that I cannot express my thanks. Everything seemed tute, it was so good that I cannot express my thanks. Everything seemed like sunshine.

W. O. DAIL.

Snow Hill, N. C., Nov. 23, 1904.

Send names and addresses of those who may be benefitted to the Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.,

KILLED HIMSELF AND WIFE.

Man Whose Money Was Gone Committed Deed With Revolver.

By wire to The Morning Star.

Albany, Dec. 22.—Fred. S. Harlow, of Saratoga, aged about 50 years, and his wife, about the same age, are dead as the result, it is believed of a mutual agreement carried out by shooting to-day in their rooms in this city. A letter now in the hands of the coroner leads the police to believe that Harlow shot him wife then killed their pet dog and finally shot himself. The Harlows have lived here about six months and so far as is known the man had no regular employment.

The letter left by Harlow was found clutched in his hand. It says:

"Our money is gone and when that is gone, of course, your friends are, are we have no place to go and I am not able to work. What to do we don't know but we have agreed to go together with little Bessie (the dog) the best friend we have."

A second letter explains that a friend to whom Harlow had loaned over $1,000 to help him out of trouble had failed him. The letter concludes:

"The trouble is, I have been too good to my friends—those I thought were my friends."

FIRE ON NEW YORK FERRYBOAT.

Burst Out Suddenly and Created Wild Panic.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

New York, Dec. 22.—While the Delaware, Lackawanna and Hudson ferryboat Montclair was crowded from end to end on trip to-night from the foot of Christopher street to Hoboken, fire burst from beneath the middle of the inboard row of seats in the men's cabin on the starboard. So sudden was the outburst of flame that those sitting on the seats had narrow escapes from burning. Shouts of fire sent the passengers in a rush to the open end of the boat,men almost pushing one another into the water. The panic spread to the women's cabin which was also crowded, there being about 1,000 passengers on the boat. The Montclair was in midstream. The deck hands partly put out the fire. She was driven full speed, with whistle shrieking, to the Hoboken slip. The passengers rushed ashore and the fire department put out what remained of the blaze. It is supposed that a smouldering cigar stub communicated the fire to rubbish started the blaze.

EXPLOSION OF LOCOMOTIVE.

One Man Killed and Five Fatally Injured.

By Wire to The Morning Star

Elmire, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The boiler of a locomotive drawing a southbound Lehigh Valley freight train running betwen VanEtten and Sayre exploded at "Swamp Siding' one-half mile east of the village of Van Etten tonight, killing Fireman Frank Morris and fattally injuring Engineer Fred. Swarthout, Brakeman Henry McMahon, Conductor Martin Gallagher, and freight handler George Springer, all of Sayre, Pa. The explosion was witnessed by a large number of people and the deafening roar was heard three miles away. The boiler was blown from the carriage of the engine and hurled over a hundred feet down the track where it continue to roll and over end tearing a deep hole in the Lehigh Valley tracks. The cause of the accident is unknown.

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St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor; Sabbath Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M.; W. C. E. Society at 7 P. M.; Prayer Meeting and Lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited; seats free.

Religious services will be conducted at the Seamen's Bethel to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. R. W. Hogue. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All are welcome.

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets: Service at 11 o'clock to-morrow (Sunday) and at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., pastor. Strangers welcome; seats free.

St. Paul's Episcopal church, corner of Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. A. W. Seabrease, rector: Morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M.; Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. Seats prayer and sermon at 11 A. M.; Children's Christmas service at 6 P. M. Everybody is cordially invited. Christmas Day service at 11 A. M. Morning prayer, sermon and Holy communion; strangers are cordially invited.

Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., expects to preach at Castle Haynes and to conduct services at the convict camp to-morrow afternoon.

First Baptist church, Rev. Fred. D. Hale, D. D., pastor, Preaching to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 7. 30 P. M. Sunday Sshool at 3. 30 P. M. Prayer Worship Wednesday 7. 30 P. M. B. Y. P. U. Friday 7. 30 P. M.

As has been heretofore announced, no reading notice in the Star is counted as less than two lines. Dec. 20-3t*

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